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SUBJECT: PSI: OPERATIONAL EXPERTS DELEGATION VISIT PLANNING

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Classified By: POLITICAL MINISTER COUNSELOR W. MICHAEL MESERVE. REASON
S: 1.4 (b),(d).

11. (U) This is an ACTION REQUEST (see para 3).

12. (C) Embassy is pleased to know the ROKG has agreed to participate in the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI), and that a PSI Operational Experts Group delegation will be coming to Seoul to discuss ROK participation, as well as visiting Japan to meet with PSI counterparts in Tokyo. POC for the Tokyo stop will be Political Officer David Jonathan Wolff, Email: wolffdj@state.gov.

12. (C) Per reftels A and B, we understand Dr. David Cooper, OSD Director for Nonproliferation and U.S. head of delegation to the PSI Operational Experts Group (OEG), will lead an interagency delegation from DOD, DHS and State for meetings in Seoul on March 8, 2006. Having been informed of this, the Government of Japan requests the delegation visit Tokyo immediately following their visit to Seoul.

13. (C) ACTION REQUEST: Please confirm that Dr. Cooper and his delegation will visit Tokyo for meetings the afternoon of March 9th and provide the delegation's arrival/departure information and hotel requirements in a country clearance cable.

14. (C) Upon confirmation of the delegation's travel plans, embassy set up appropriate meetings with PSI OEG counterparts to include representatives from MOFA, the Japan Defense Agency, Japan Coast Guard, and relevant intelligence and law enforcement agencies in Japan. Per reftel A, we have also noted Dr. Cooper's request to meet with MOFA counterparts to discuss the CWC MOU. Embassy EST Officer Matt Wallace has been working that issue and will arrange the appropriate meeting with MOFA BWC/CWC Division Director Takeshi Aoki. MOFA has also informed us that Northeast Asia Division Director Naoki Ito will also be pleased to meet with ISN/CPI Tony Ruggiero on March 10th to discuss the DPRK flags of convenience issue. Notional schedule will follow reply to this message.

SCHIEFFER